

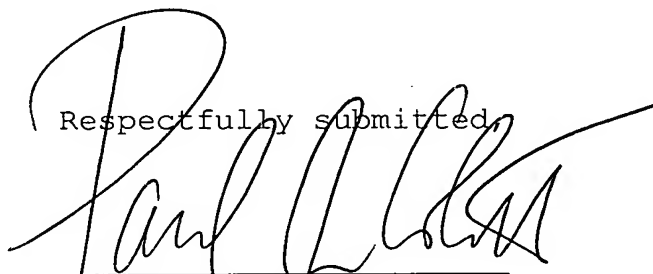
-- 12. A stent comprising:

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a generally thin walled cylinder, said cylinder containing a plurality of struts, said strut expandable dependent on the amount of force applied to said strut, and a channel formed in at least one of said struts, said channel having a closed perimeter on all sides and an open top, and said channel smaller in all dimensions than said strut, said channel containing a therapeutic agent applied therein.--

REMARKS

Applicants herewith request allowance of claims 4-7, 9 and 11-12. Further entry of the Information Disclosure Statement is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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